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The replies filed on November 9 and November 29, 2006 are not fully responsive to the prior Office action because of the following omission(s) or matter(s): In discussing the prior art-based rejection of claims 1, 2, 5-7, 9-11 and 13, Applicant has stated that those claims, "as amended", are patentably distinguishable over the prior art of record for previously noted reasons. But claim 1 has not been amended since the previous Office action. See 37 CFR 1.111. Since the above-mentioned reply appears to be bona fide, Applicant is given a TIME PERIOD of ONE (1) MONTH or THIRTY (30) DAYS from the mailing date of this notice, whichever is longer, within which to supply the omission or correction in order to avoid abandonment. EXTENSIONS OF THIS TIME PERIOD MAY BE GRANTED UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a).

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